

Mr. MENDOZA. Well, I do not think they do, because all those people together do not own much money. [Laughter.]

Mr. McCLELLAN. They are not like our politicians, then?

Mr. MENDOZA. No; they are not like our politicians. [Laughter.]

Here you have the statements of Colonel Bliss, who was familiar with all the affairs of Cuba, and of Mr. Mendoza, representing this Cuban delegation, and I say here that every member of that delegation nodded his approval when Mr. Mendoza gave his approbation to Colonel Bliss's statement.

Mr. CARMACK. Mr. President, I think the Senator from Maine is probably right when he suggests that the resolution of my friend from Nevada may send a thrill of alarm through the island of Cuba. But that is not the fault of the Senator from Nevada, and it is not the fault of the resolution he has offered. There is nothing in that resolution which of itself need alarm the people of Cuba. If they are alarmed at all it is because of certain recent performances of the executive department in using the Navy of the United States to forward a conspiracy on the part of a syndicate of French adventurers to dismember an American Republic. That of itself, I have no doubt, has alarmed all American countries who feel that they are at the mercy of the United States, and has made them unusually suspicious of anything that we may do or suggest. Therefore, and for that reason only, the resolution offered by the Senator from Nevada may cause alarm in the island of Cuba.

Mr. CULLOM. I move that the Senate proceed to the consideration of executive business.

The motion was agreed to; and the Senate proceeded to the consideration of executive business. After ten minutes spent in executive session the doors were reopened, and (at 2 o'clock and 15 minutes p. m.) the Senate adjourned until Friday, November 27, 1903, at 12 o'clock m.

#### NOMINATIONS.

*Executive nominations received by the Senate November 25, 1903.*

##### PROMOTION IN THE NAVY.

Midshipman George B. Landenberger to be an ensign in the Navy from the 15th day of April, 1903, to fill a vacancy existing in that grade on that date.

##### PROMOTIONS IN THE ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES—INFANTRY ARM.

First Lieut. Henry S. Wygant, Third Infantry, to be captain, October 9, 1903, vice Campbell, Twenty-second Infantry, retired from active service.

First Lieut. James M. Graham, Nineteenth Infantry, to be captain, October 10, 1903, vice Ord, Twenty-seventh Infantry, retired from active service.

##### DISTRICT JUDGE.

John C. Pollock, of Kansas, to be United States district judge for the district of Kansas, vice William C. Hook, appointed United States circuit judge for the eighth judicial circuit.

##### JUDGES OF POLICE COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Ivory G. Kimball, of the District of Columbia, to be judge of the police court of the District of Columbia. A reappointment, his term expiring January 13, 1904.

Charles Fletcher Scott, of the District of Columbia, to be judge of the police court of the District of Columbia. A reappointment, his term expiring January 9, 1904.

##### POSTMASTERS.

###### CONNECTICUT.

James F. Holden to be postmaster at Forestville, in the county of Hartford and State of Connecticut. Office became Presidential July 1, 1903.

###### IOWA.

A. M. Henderson to be postmaster at Story City, in the county of Story and State of Iowa, in place of William A. Kelley, resigned.

###### KANSAS.

Albert M. Wasser to be postmaster at Girard, in the county of Crawford and State of Kansas, in place of Albert M. Wasser. Incumbent's commission expires December 12, 1903.

###### KENTUCKY.

Charles E. Mann to be postmaster at Pembroke, in the county of Christian and State of Kentucky. Office became Presidential April 1, 1903.

###### MICHIGAN.

Hutson B. Colman to be postmaster at Kalamazoo, in the county of Kalamazoo and State of Michigan, in place of Hutson B. Colman. Incumbent's commission expires December 13, 1903.

###### MONTANA.

Daniel H. Ross to be postmaster at Missoula, in the county of Missoula and State of Montana, in place of George K. Keep. Incumbent's commission expires December 12, 1903.

###### NEW HAMPSHIRE.

George A. Young to be postmaster at Concord, in the county of Merrimack and State of New Hampshire, in place of Henry Robinson. Incumbent's commission expires December 13, 1903.

###### NEW JERSEY.

Lewis A. Waters to be postmaster at Madison, in the county of Morris and State of New Jersey, in place of William H. Larison, removed.

###### OHIO.

Wilbur W. Templin to be postmaster at Calla, in the county of Mahoning and State of Ohio, in place of Alfred H. McCline. Incumbent's commission expires December 12, 1903.

###### SOUTH CAROLINA.

Simon Beckham to be postmaster at Hartsville, in the county of Darlington and State of South Carolina. Office became Presidential October 1, 1903.

#### CONFIRMATIONS.

*Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate November 24, 1903.*

##### APPOINTMENTS IN THE NAVY.

*To be assistant surgeons in the Navy with the rank of lieutenant (junior grade), from the 7th day of June, 1900.*

Thomas McC. Lippitt.  
Barton L. Wright.  
Ralph W. Plummer.  
Henry E. Odell.  
James S. Taylor.  
Joseph A. Murphy.  
John T. Kennedy.  
Karl Ohnesorg.  
Charles N. Fiske.

##### POSTMASTERS.

###### GEORGIA.

Ransom A. Brinson to be postmaster at Millen, in the county of Screven and State of Georgia.

###### NEW YORK.

James H. Callanan to be postmaster at Schenectady, in the county of Schenectady and State of New York.

###### PENNSYLVANIA.

David Reynolds, sr., to be postmaster at Ford City, in the county of Armstrong and State of Pennsylvania.

#### LIGHT AND HARBOR DUES IN ZANZIBAR.

On November 25, 1903, the Senate ratified, and the injunction of secrecy was removed from, a treaty signed on June 5, 1903, between the United States and Great Britain, acting in the name of the Sultan of Zanzibar, amending the treaty of amity and commerce concluded September 21, 1833, between the United States and the Sultan of Muscat, so as to permit the imposition of light and harbor dues on vessels of the United States entering the ports of Zanzibar and Pemba.

#### SENATE.

*FRIDAY, November 27, 1903.*

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. F. J. PRETTYMAN.

The Journal of the proceedings of Wednesday last was read and approved.

##### ADJOURNMENT TO TUESDAY.

Mr. ALLISON. I move that when the Senate adjourns to-day it adjourn to meet on Tuesday next.

The motion was agreed to.

##### PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. KEAN) presented a petition of the Ohio State Bar Association, praying that Put in Bay, in that State, be selected as the site for the proposed new naval training station on the Great Lakes; which was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

He also presented a petition of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Clearwater, Kans., and a petition of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Clearwater Harbor, Fla., praying for an investigation of the charges made and filed against Hon. REED SMOOT, a Senator from Utah; which were referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. FOSTER of Washington presented petitions of the congregation of the Methodist Church of Walla Walla, of the Epworth League of Bay View, of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Bay View, of sundry citizens of Bay View, and of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Clarksonton, all in the State of Washington, praying for an investigation

of the charges made and filed against Hon. REED SMOOT, a Senator from the State of Utah; which were referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. BURNHAM presented a petition of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Antrim, N. H., praying for an investigation of the charges made and filed against Hon. REED SMOOT, a Senator from the State of Utah; which was referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. CULLOM presented petitions of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Tuscola, and of the congregations of the Presbyterian Church, the Christian Church, and the Methodist Episcopal Church of Sheldon, all in the State of Illinois, praying for an investigation of the charges made and filed against Hon. REED SMOOT, a Senator from the State of Utah; which were referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. DEPEW presented petitions of the Monday Club, of Wells-ville; of the congregation of the United Presbyterian Church of Johnstown; of sundry citizens of Webster; of Post No. 336, Department of New York, Grand Army of the Republic, of Wells-ville; of Dexter Relief Corps, No. 19, of Wellsville; of the Young Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Riverhead; of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Castleton Corners; of sundry citizens of Chazy; of the Missionary Society of the Second Presbyterian Church of Middletown; of the congregation of the First Presbyterian Church of Cato; of sundry citizens of Dundee; of Webster Grange, No. 436, Patrons of Husbandry, of Monroe County; of sundry citizens of Frankfort; of sundry citizens of Hempstead County; of the congregation of the Presbyterian Church of Woodside; of sundry citizens of Sloanville; of the congregation of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Kortright; of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Mexico; of the congregation of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Mexico; of the congregation of the University Avenue Baptist Church, of Rochester; of the congregations of the Presbyterian, Methodist, and Baptist churches of Andover; of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the Independent Order of Good Templars, the Chautauqua Club, and the Seamen's Woman's Relief Corps, No. 155, of Andover; of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of New York City; of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Wellsville; of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Westchester County; of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Binghamton; of sundry citizens of Dunkirk; of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Newfane; of the congregation of the Second Street Presbyterian Church, of Troy; of the congregation of the Westminster Church, of Troy; of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Esopus; of the Baptist Pastors Conference of Utica; of the Jermain Memorial Presbyterian Church, of Albany; of the Baptist churches of Gaines and Murray; of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Allegany; of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Elizabethtown; of the congregation of the First Presbyterian Church of Islip, and of the congregations of the Presbyterian churches of Tomhannock and Johnsonville, all in the State of New York, praying for an investigation of the charges made and filed against Hon. REED SMOOT, a Senator from the State of Utah; which were referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. CARMACK presented a petition of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Dyer, Tenn., praying for an investigation of the charges made and filed against Hon. REED SMOOT, a Senator from the State of Utah; which was referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. CULBERSON presented a petition of sundry citizens of Atlanta, Tex., praying for an investigation of the charges made and filed against Hon. REED SMOOT, a Senator from the State of Utah; which was referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. QUAY presented petitions of the Upper Buffalo Missionary Society, of Buffalo; of the congregation of the Upper Buffalo Presbyterian Church, of Washington County; of the Pennsylvania Congress of Mothers, of Philadelphia; of the congregation of the United Presbyterian Church of New Galilee; of the National Reform Convention of Harrisburg; of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Forest Grove; of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Penn's Park; of the congregation of the Forestville Presbyterian Church, of Forest Grove; of the Mozart Sabbath School, of Mozart, and of the congregation of the West Washington Methodist Episcopal Church, of Washington, all in the State of Pennsylvania, praying for an investigation of the charges made and filed against Hon. REED SMOOT, a Senator from the State of Utah; which were referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS.

Mr. GALLINGER, from the Committee on Pensions, to whom were referred the following bills, reported them severally without amendment, and submitted reports thereon:

A bill (S. 7) granting an increase of pension to Alfred Woodman;

A bill (S. 6) granting a pension to Cora M. Converse;

A bill (S. 8) granting an increase of pension to Jonathan Perry Kittredge;

A bill (S. 13) granting an increase of pension to William Clark;

A bill (S. 547) granting an increase of pension to Irving W. Coombs;

A bill (S. 1334) granting a pension to Amy C. Bosworth;

A bill (S. 1335) granting an increase of pension to Calvin Daws; and

A bill (S. 1498) granting an increase of pension to Winslow P. Eayrs.

#### BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

Mr. CULLOM introduced a bill (S. 1822) granting a pension to Samuel Miller; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

He also introduced a bill (S. 1823) granting an increase of pension to Landy C. Daily; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

He also introduced a bill (S. 1824) to remove the charge of desertion against Benjamin Brothers; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. GALLINGER introduced the following bills; which were severally read twice by their titles, and referred to the Committee on Pensions:

A bill (S. 1825) granting a pension to Josephine L. Webber;

A bill (S. 1826) granting an increase of pension to Mary E. Cutts; and

A bill (S. 1827) granting an increase of pension to Harris A. P. Lewis.

Mr. BURNHAM introduced the following bills; which were severally read twice by their titles, and referred to the Committee on Pensions:

A bill (S. 1828) granting an increase of pension to John F. Green;

A bill (S. 1829) granting a pension to Julia A. Campbell (with an accompanying paper);

A bill (S. 1830) granting an increase of pension to Sarah E. Austin (with accompanying papers); and

A bill (S. 1831) granting an increase of pension to John L. B. Thompson.

Mr. FOSTER of Washington introduced a bill (S. 1832) granting an increase of pension to George W. Herron; which was read twice by its title, and, with the accompanying papers, referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Mr. CLAPP introduced a bill (S. 1833) conferring upon the Court of Claims authority to hear and determine certain claims of the Chippewa Indians in the State of Minnesota; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

He also introduced a bill (S. 1834) granting an increase of pension to John W. Paul; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

He also introduced a bill (S. 1835) granting an increase of pension to David P. R. Strong; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Mr. BERRY introduced a bill (S. 1836) for the relief of E. H. Murrell; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. DANIEL introduced the following bills; which were severally read twice by their titles, and referred to the Committee on Claims:

A bill (S. 1837) for the relief of Edward S. Brown (with accompanying papers);

A bill (S. 1838) to provide for paying certain advances made to the United States by the State of Virginia for public buildings;

A bill (S. 1839) for the relief of Preston Lodge, No. 47, of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Jonesville, Lee County, Va.;

A bill (S. 1840) for the relief of the estate of Henry Fitzhugh, deceased;

A bill (S. 1841) for the relief of the trustees of the Norfolk Academy;

A bill (S. 1842) to provide for compensation for certain employees of the Treasury, War, and Navy Departments;

A bill (S. 1843) for the relief of the heirs of Stephen D. Castleman;

A bill (S. 1844) for the relief of the heirs of John Freeland, deceased;

A bill (S. 1845) for the relief of Bettie Eppes Minetree, sole heir of John W. Eppes, deceased;

A bill (S. 1846) for the relief of the estate of James M. Catlett, deceased;

A bill (by request) (S. 1847) for the relief of George L. Watkins, Bettie A. Hamilton, Junius F. Watkins, Louisa J. Jones, and Lottie E. Kidd;

A bill (by request) (S. 1848) for the relief of the heirs of John H. Rixey, deceased;

A bill (by request) (S. 1849) for the relief of the estate of Sina Hughlett, deceased;

A bill (by request) (S. 1850) for the relief of James K. Skinker;

A bill (by request) (S. 1851) for the relief of the heirs of John B. Almond, deceased;

A bill (by request) (S. 1852) for the relief of the estate of W. H. Harrison, deceased;

A bill (by request) (S. 1853) for the relief of the estate of John B. Crenshaw, deceased;

A bill (by request) (S. 1854) for the relief of Pickrell & Brooks;

A bill (by request) (S. 1855) for the relief of William Mason;

A bill (by request) (S. 1856) for the relief of John N. Bell;

A bill (S. 1857) for the relief of the estate of William Fletcher, deceased;

A bill (by request) (S. 1858) for the relief of the estate of William A. Bowen, deceased;

A bill (by request) (S. 1859) for the relief of Benjamin M. Yancey;

A bill (by request) (S. 1860) for the relief of the estate of Henry S. Williams, deceased;

A bill (by request) (S. 1861) for the relief of the estate of William Shreve, deceased;

A bill (by request) (S. 1862) for the relief of the estate of W. H. Stringfellow, deceased;

A bill (by request) (S. 1863) for the relief of the heirs of Henry Sinon, deceased;

A bill (by request) (S. 1864) for the relief of the estate of Peter Sheets, deceased;

A bill (by request) (S. 1865) for the relief of R. A. Young;

A bill (by request) (S. 1866) for the relief of Luther and Priscilla Walton;

A bill (by request) (S. 1867) for the relief of Charles A. Newlon;

A bill (by request) (S. 1868) for the relief of the estate of David B. Tennant, deceased;

A bill (by request) (S. 1869) for the relief of J. A. Shackleton;

A bill (by request) (S. 1870) for the relief of the heirs of John Poland, deceased;

A bill (by request) (S. 1871) for the relief of Napoleon B. Watkins;

A bill (by request) (S. 1872) for the relief of the estate of Robert Brockett, deceased;

A bill (by request) (S. 1873) for the relief of Emma C. Franner, George W. Seaton, Hiram K. Seaton, Howard Seaton, Mary Seaton, Blanche Seaton, George W. Taylor, Edward Taylor, and Catharine Pomeroy;

A bill (S. 1874) for the relief of Richard K. Hughlett;

A bill (S. 1875) for the relief of James W. Nickens;

A bill (by request) (S. 1876) for the relief of Robert G. Griffin, Catharine H. Harris, and Isaac P. Cromwell, administrator of Hannah T. Cromwell, deceased;

A bill (S. 1877) for the relief of the trustees of Braddock Street Methodist Episcopal Church, at Winchester, Va.;

A bill (by request) (S. 1878) for the relief of the trustees of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, of Strasburg, Va.;

A bill (S. 1879) for the relief of Newton Woodyard;

A bill (S. 1880) for the relief of the heirs of Robert M. Ely, deceased;

A bill (by request) (S. 1881) for the relief of the estate of Robert Barr, deceased;

A bill (S. 1882) for the relief of Sallie R. Walton;

A bill (by request) (S. 1883) for the relief of the estate of Isaac Burnett, deceased;

A bill (by request) (S. 1884) for the relief of the estate John B. Ege, deceased;

A bill (S. 1885) for the relief of the estate of Richard L. Brown, deceased;

A bill (S. 1886) for the relief of the estate of Dr. Bailey Shumate;

A bill (S. 1887) for the relief of Lettie Myers;

A bill (S. 1888) for the relief of the estate of Lewis Shumate, deceased;

A bill (S. 1889) for the relief of C. A. Sprinkel;

A bill (S. 1890) for the relief of Lucy B. Legrande, Catharine Jameson, Elizabeth H. Lester, Shirley B. Shackelford, Edwin A. Gibson, and the heirs of Henry Shackelford, deceased;

A bill (S. 1891) to refer the war claim of the estate of Carter B. Butler, deceased, to the Court of Claims;

A bill (S. 1892) for the relief of the estate of John J. Mitchell, deceased;

A bill (S. 1893) for the relief of the heirs of Eli Stake; and

A bill (S. 1894) for the relief of the estate of John Cain or his legal representatives.

Mr. DANIEL introduced a bill (S. 1895) granting a pension to Maria Elizabeth Horner; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

He also introduced a bill (S. 1896) to provide for the construction of the Patent Office of the United States, including a hall of inventions, and for other purposes; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

He also introduced a bill (S. 1897) to provide for enlarging and improving the United States building at Lynchburg, Va., containing the United States court rooms, clerk's office, post-office, and internal-revenue offices; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Mr. MITCHELL introduced a bill (S. 1898) making an appropriation for the improvement and care of the soldiers' cemetery, for the burial of veterans of the civil war, now held in the name of the James W. Nesmith Post, No. 32, Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Oregon, located at or near The Dalles, Wasco County, State of Oregon; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

He also introduced a bill (S. 1899) granting an increase of pension to Thompson Warren; which was read twice by its title, and, with the accompanying paper, referred to the Committee on Pensions.

He also introduced a bill (S. 1900) for the relief of Benjamin F. Shaw; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

He also introduced a bill (S. 1901) to appoint Wilbur F. Cogswell a chief engineer in the Navy and place him on the retired list; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

Mr. FAIRBANKS introduced the following bills; which were severally read twice by their titles, and referred to the Committee on Pensions:

A bill (S. 1902) granting an increase of pension to Joshua F. Spurlin;

A bill (S. 1903) granting an increase of pension to Samuel E. Nichols;

A bill (S. 1904) granting an increase of pension to John D. Moore;

A bill (S. 1905) granting a pension to Eliza J. Petty (with accompanying papers);

A bill (S. 1906) granting a pension to Mary McEvoy (with accompanying papers); and

A bill (S. 1907) granting an increase of pension to George W. Spahr (with accompanying papers).

Mr. CARMACK introduced a bill (S. 1908) granting a pension to Emma Butler; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Mr. PENROSE introduced a bill (S. 1909) granting an increase of pension to William Holliday; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Mr. HALE introduced the following bills; which were severally read twice by their titles, and referred to the Committee on Pensions:

A bill (S. 1910) granting a pension to Emeline D. Hobbs (with an accompanying paper);

A bill (S. 1911) granting an increase of pension to Ambrose W. Severance (with accompanying papers); and

A bill (S. 1912) granting a pension to Joseph W. Booker.

Mr. PLATT of Connecticut introduced a bill (S. 1913) granting an increase of pension to Lorenzo E. Harrison; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

He also introduced a bill (S. 1914) granting a pension to Hugh Wilson; which was read twice by its title, and, with the accompanying paper, referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Mr. MCENERY introduced a bill (S. 1915) for the relief of the heirs of Henry Ware; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. QUAY introduced a joint resolution (S. R. 17) to provide for the printing of 8,000 copies of the consolidated reports of the Gettysburg National Park Commission, 1893 to 1904, inclusive; which was read twice by its title, and referred to the Committee on Printing.

#### AMENDMENT TO SUNDRY CIVIL APPROPRIATION BILL.

Mr. MITCHELL submitted an amendment proposing to appropriate \$30,000 for the establishment of a fish hatchery in the State of Oregon, intended to be proposed by him to the sundry civil appropriation bill; which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and ordered to be printed.

#### RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES IN "THE OREGON COUNTRY."

Mr. MITCHELL submitted the following resolution; which was considered by unanimous consent, and agreed to:

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, directed to transmit to the Senate at his earliest convenience a statement of the amounts of revenue paid into the General Government at the respective ports of entry located in what was originally known as "The Oregon country" since the territory included in said country was first incorporated into the General Government to the present time, and also a further statement of

the amount expended by the General Government during the same period for the improvement of the rivers and harbors located within the territory known as "The Oregon country."

PUBLIC LANDS IN "THE OREGON COUNTRY."

Mr. MITCHELL submitted the following resolution; which was considered by unanimous consent, and agreed to:

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, directed to transmit to the Senate at his earliest convenience a statement of the amount, in acres, of undisposed-of Government land of all kinds and characters included in the area of what was originally known and called "The Oregon country."

ASSISTANT CLERK OF DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COMMITTEE.

Mr. GALLINGER submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee to Audit and Control the Contingent Expenses of the Senate:

*Resolved*, That the salary of the assistant clerk to the Committee on the District of Columbia, authorized by resolution of January 18, 1900, at \$1,440 per annum, be, and it hereby is, increased to \$1,800 per annum, to take effect December 1, 1903.

TRADE RELATIONS WITH CUBA.

Mr. CULLOM. If the morning business is completed, I desire that the unfinished business shall be laid before the Senate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there further morning business? [A pause.] The morning business is closed. The Senator from Illinois asks that the unfinished business may be laid before the Senate. It will be stated.

The SECRETARY. A bill (H. R. 1921) to carry into effect a convention between the United States and the Republic of Cuba, signed on the 11th day of December, in the year 1902.

Mr. CULLOM. If there are any Senators who desire to speak on the bill to-day, they have an opportunity. If not, I shall move an executive session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The bill is before the Senate as in Committee of the Whole.

Mr. CULLOM. I think no Senator is disposed to go on to-day, and I move that the Senate proceed to the consideration of executive business.

The motion was agreed to; and the Senate proceeded to the consideration of executive business. After five minutes spent in executive session the doors were reopened, and (at 12 o'clock and 27 minutes p. m.) the Senate adjourned until Tuesday, December 1, 1903, at 12 o'clock meridian.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, November 27, 1903.

The House met at 13 o'clock m.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. HENRY N. COUDEN, D. D.

The Journal of the proceedings of Tuesday, November 24, was read and approved.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

A message, in writing, from the President of the United States was communicated to the House by Mr. BARNES, one of his secretaries.

ADJOURNMENT OVER.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I move that when the House adjourn to-day it adjourn to meet on Tuesday next.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from New York moves that when the House adjourn to-day it adjourn to meet on Tuesday next.

Mr. WILLIAMS of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I ask—

The SPEAKER proceeded to submit the question.

Mr. DE ARMOND. No quorum.

Mr. WILLIAMS of Mississippi. I ask that the motion of the gentleman from New York be withheld.

Mr. DE ARMOND. Mr. Speaker, I make the point of no quorum.

The SPEAKER. No rights will be lost. The Chair did not understand the gentleman from Mississippi.

Mr. WILLIAMS of Mississippi. I rose for the purpose of asking the gentleman from New York to withdraw his motion for a few moments while I could submit a request for unanimous consent.

The SPEAKER. Does the gentleman from New York withdraw his motion?

Mr. WILLIAMS of Mississippi. I suggest to the gentleman that I intend to ask unanimous consent for some time for debate.

Mr. PAYNE. If the gentleman will indicate how much time, I will unite with him in the request for unanimous consent.

Mr. WILLIAMS of Mississippi. Not over ten minutes.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I ask that by unanimous consent we have debate of ten minutes on each side, the time to be controlled by the gentleman from Mississippi and myself.

Mr. DE ARMOND. I should like to have about five minutes myself.

Mr. WILLIAMS of Mississippi. I do not think I will need more than five myself.

Mr. PAYNE. I do not think the gentleman from Mississippi understood the gentleman from Missouri. The gentleman from Missouri states that he would like to have five minutes.

Mr. WILLIAMS of Mississippi. Then make it fifteen minutes on a side.

Mr. PAYNE. Very well; I am willing to ask unanimous consent for fifteen minutes' debate on each side.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from New York asks unanimous consent that there be fifteen minutes' debate on each side.

Mr. PAYNE. On this motion. Of course it is understood that under the rules the motion could not be debated, and I asked unanimous consent for that reason.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from New York asks unanimous consent that this motion may be debated fifteen minutes on each side. Is there objection?

Mr. BABCOCK. Mr. Speaker, I believe the House has not yet been informed of the question before the House.

The SPEAKER. It is that when the House adjourn to-day it adjourn until Tuesday next.

Mr. WILLIAMS of Mississippi. I am perfectly willing that the debate should take the widest range. [Laughter.]

The SPEAKER. Is there objection? [After a pause.] The Chair hears none. Does the gentleman from Missouri withdraw the point of no quorum?

Mr. DE ARMOND. I understand, Mr. Speaker, that this motion is now pending.

The SPEAKER. That is correct.

Mr. DE ARMOND. Then, of course, the point of no quorum is not in order at this time.

The SPEAKER. The motion will be considered as pending, and therefore the point of no quorum is withdrawn.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, if the point of no quorum is to be raised, we might as well adjourn at once.

Mr. WILLIAMS of Mississippi. I understand that unanimous consent has been given for fifteen minutes' debate on each side.

Mr. PAYNE. It can not be with the point of no quorum pending.

Mr. WILLIAMS of Mississippi. I hope the point of no quorum will be withdrawn, and the gentleman can make that later on.

Mr. DE ARMOND. As to whether it will be made later on, I will give the gentleman from New York as much information as he gave me when I asked him for some the other day. [Laughter.]

Mr. PAYNE. Of course, it was understood that the point of no quorum was to be withdrawn.

Mr. DE ARMOND. There was no understanding of that kind.

Mr. PAYNE. The whole object of having the debate was that there should be no such point raised.

Mr. WILLIAMS of Mississippi. If the gentleman from New York will go along, I think this will be managed afterwards.

The SPEAKER. The Chair understands that unanimous consent was given for fifteen minutes' debate on each side. If the point of no quorum was pending, it has been withdrawn.

REVOLUTION ON ISTHMUS OF PANAMA.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was ordered to be printed, and referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs:

To the House of Representatives:

In response to a resolution of the House of Representatives of November 3, 1903, requesting the President "to communicate to the House, if not, in his judgment, incompatible with the interests of the public service, all correspondence and other official documents relating to the revolution on the Isthmus of Panama," I transmit herewith copies of additional papers on the subject, which have been received subsequent to the resolution referred to. THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

WHITE HOUSE,  
Washington, November 27, 1903.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted as follows:  
To Mr. DARRAGH, for an indefinite period, on account of important business.

To Mr. BROUSSARD, for ten days, on account of important business.

To Mr. LAMB, for the balance of the session, on account of important business.

To Mr. TRIMBLE, for the balance of the session, on account of important business.

To Mr. DINSMORE, for remainder of session, on account of important business.

To Mr. BROOKS, for ten days, on personal business.

To Mr. HOWELL, indefinitely, on account of pressing business.

ADJOURNMENT OVER.

Mr. WILLIAMS of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, it is my idea in my Representative capacity here upon this floor that the right of filibustering is a very sacred right that ought to be preserved intact